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COUNTRY Austria REPORTTOPIC Bad Voeslau Airfield and Military PostEVALUATION                      PLACE OBTAINED                      50X1-HUMDATE OF CONTENT                     DATE OBTAINED                      DATE PREPARED 13 December 1954REFERENCES                     PAGES 2 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)                     REMARKS                     

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1. Between 0800 and 1430 on 9 November 1954, 4 MiG-15s, 3 Il-28s and 3 Li-2s were observed at Bad Voeslau airfield. There was a 10/10 overcast at an altitude of about 1,000 meters, a northwesterly wind of about 8 km/h, ground fog with a visibility range of up to about 400 meters prior to 1100 and good visibility over the entire field after 1100. No air activity was conducted.
2. Between 1310 and 1320 on 12 November, 4 MiG-15s, 3 Il-28s and 3 Li-2s were observed at Bad Voeslau airfield. A row of 6 searchlights was being newly established in the northeastern section of the field. The individual searchlights were about 20 meters apart. The lighting facilities along the NNE-SSE take-off strip were reinforced by additional lamps. The searchlights were similar to those previously observed in Wiener Neustadt and Deutsch Wagram.

3. The following observations were made in the Bad Voeslau military post on 9 November:

Gainfarn Castle. The installation was guarded by sentries wearing black-bordered blue epaulets. Van-like truck                      and                      the latter with driver wearing black-bordered blue epaulets were parked in front of the entrance.

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No 25 Hoch Strasse. ~~There~~ motor vehicles were parked under the lean-to roof.

No 11 Gainfarn Strasse. The installation seemed to be unoccupied.

No 12 Wiener Neustaedter Strasse. A lieutenant and 2 majors all wearing blue-bordered blue epaulets entered the building. There were several telephone lines between the building and Voeslau Castle.

Voeslau Castle. The installation was guarded by sentries wearing black-bordered blue epaulets. Two trucks and 2 radio trucks were parked in the yard. Vehicular traffic observed included jeep                      with driver wearing black-bordered blue epaulets.

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Villa Dorothea. Soldiers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets, including some with bandages, were seen entering and leaving the installation. A truck

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[redacted] and with driver wearing black-bordered blue epaulets, and ambulance [redacted] were parked in front of the building.

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No 14 Bahn Strasse. Truck [redacted] with driver wearing black-bordered blue epaulets drove up in front of the building.

No 41 Bahn Strasse. No sentries or movements were seen. Some motor vehicles presumably tank trucks were observed through blefts in the wall of a shed.

Nos 26 and 28 Bahn Strasse. These installation were not occupied.

[redacted] Comment. The exact occupation of Bad Voeslau airfield cannot be determined from recent reports. It is possible that the MiG-15s and Il-28s were used as training aircraft by Hq Fifty-Ninth Air Army and that the Li-2s belong to a transport unit.

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